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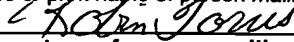
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Docket No. 249.P1

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Entitled: PRODRUGS OF PHOSPHONATE NUCLEOTIDE ANALOGUES AND
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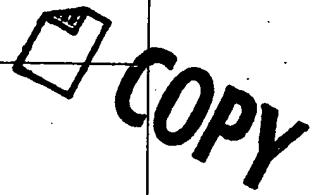
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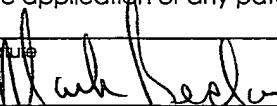
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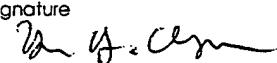
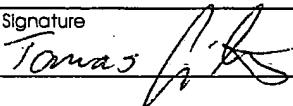
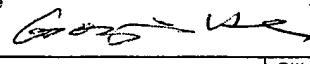
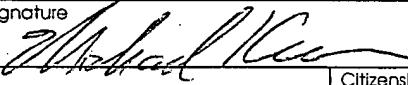
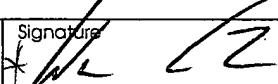
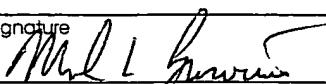
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